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Amendment D

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This is a response to the Office Action of 11/03/2005

Please amend the above application as follows:

DRAWINGS: Comments relating to amendments to the drawings are started on page __2__

SPECIFICATION: Amendments to the claims begin on page __3__ of this amendment.

CLAIMS: Amendments to the claims begin on page __7__ of this amendment.

REMARKS: Remarks begin on page ____ 22 ____ of this amendment.

DRAWINGS: The drawings which were on file prior to the previous Amendment C of July 23, 2005 had hand-written reference numerals. Furthermore, the applicants have found some minor inconsistencies between the specification and drawings. Therefore, in previous Amendment C the applicant replaced all 12 sheets of drawings with the set of new drawings that contained the following changes:

- 1) Reference numerals 36 and 38 that designate the second and third posts gripping the peripheral edges of the wafers were introduced into Replacement Fig. 5;
- 2) The following reference numerals were introduced into Fig. 8:
 - 42 - stepper motor
 - 44 - base plate
 - 52a – 52b through-beam sensor
 - 54a – 54b - through-beam sensor
 - 56a - 56b -front edge through-beam sensor
- 3) Reference numeral 51 that designates the accelerometer was introduced into Fig. 10;
- 4) Reference numeral 44A that designates a base plate was introduced into Fig. 11;
- 5) Reference numeral 66 that designates the microcontroller, reference numeral 44E that designates the base plate, and reference numeral 32E that designates the pin were introduced to Fig. 13.



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